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**PRE-EMINENTLY
ABOVE COMPETITION
STANDS OUR NEW STOCK!**

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For placing before you exactly what you want, at
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Superior in Quality,
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Circuit Clerk And Recorder.

The Law is Against One Man
Holding Both Offices in
this County.

An effort will probably be made to get the Circuit Clerk's and Recorder's offices separated this year, and Thos. F. Hinkle is already spoken of as a candidate for Recorder. We do not think it would be wise to separate the offices, as the Clerk's office alone will not pay enough to keep a man in it competent to do the work as it should be done. Besides, it would be a considerable expense to the county to make the change.—Benton Record.

As usual, the Record man squirts away at the people at long range, and expects them to swallow his shallow utterances without a second thought. He does not attempt to give them either facts, figures, reason or argument. He says "We do not think it would be wise to separate the offices, as the Clerk's office alone will not pay enough," etc., but he does not say how much it pays. He does not go on and say that the Circuit Clerk's office pays as well or better than either the Sheriff's or Treasurer's or Assessor's or Probate Judge's or Prosecuting Attorney's offices. He did not take the trouble to mention the fact that the Circuit Clerk's office pays three or four times as much as the Representative's or Coroner's or Public Administrator's or any of the County Judges' offices. Mr. Smith did not care to impress upon the minds of the people that the Collector's and County Clerk's offices are the only offices within the gift of the people of Scott County that pay better than the Circuit Clerk's office.

But all this is neither here nor there. It does not matter which pays nor which does not pay. The people of Scott County are governed by the laws of Missouri, so we will just step down and examine the law on this matter. Scott County has a population of about twelve thousand, and section 7345, chapter 135, R. S. Mo., reads:

"In every county having a population of ten thousand inhabitants, it shall be lawful for the county court to make an order separating the offices of circuit clerk and recorder of deeds."

While this section alone does not appear mandatory, it becomes a clincher when coupled with section 4765 of the Australian ballot law, which reads as follows:

"No certificate of nomination shall contain the name of more than one candidate for any office to be filled. No person shall join in nominating more than one nominee for each office to be filled; and no person shall accept a nomination for more than one office."

But it is claimed that this law can be "dodged" by the court refusing to divide the offices. In this way a man may become a candidate for circuit clerk only, and, if elected, the law provides that he be ex-officio recorder so long as the offices are not divided. It is clearly the intention of the law that these offices be divided when a County's population exceeds 10,000, and more especially when the fees amount to more than eighteen hundred dollars. In Scott County the fees amounted to over twenty-four hundred dollars last year.

But the Record man weeps and says "it would be a considerable expense to the County to make the change," but he does not go on and say how, when or where. Guess he forgot it. The fact is, it would not cost the County one cent to make the change. It takes two men to do the work, and the only question or "change" is: Shall the people of Scott County say who shall be our recorder, or shall it be left to the circuit clerk to say?

The county court can give no good reason for refusing to separate these offices. No one man can do the work of both, and if two men are required, the people should have the right to name them.

Let the people have a say-so.

EXECUTOR'S SALE.
I will sell, at the residence of the late Josephine Diebold, near Benton, Mo., the following property belonging to the estate of said Josephine Diebold: One mare with year-old colt, five head of cattle, about ten head of hogs, a lot of chickens, a buggy, a one-horse wagon, harness, gears, about 50 bushels of corn, a lot of hay, variety of tools, household and kitchen furniture, a lot of canned fruits, etc.

Terms:—\$5 and under, cash; over \$5, a credit of eight months will be given, purchaser giving note with approved security bearing 8 per cent interest. No interest will be charged if promptly paid at maturity.

F. L. DIEBOLD, Executor.

A son was born to the wife of Sol. Diebold on the 23 inst.—and Squire Schoen is again grand-pa.

A child of Constine Grojean, of New Hamburg, died Tuesday.

DON'T LET IT ESCAPE YOUR EYE!

WHAT?

Why those Easter Bonnets at Matthews, Stubblefield & Co's. Just what

YOU WANT

They are offering them at prices you cannot afford to miss. They don't give

A BONNET

away, but you would almost think so were you to come and price them.

LADIES

should bear in mind that we are the leaders in MILLINERY as well as in other goods.

YOU CAN GET

dress goods in endless variety. We open the spring of '94 with a big "O" and we are not only outfitters for women, but for

Men and Children

as well. We have enlarged our building and shall make it a point to supply the want of every customer. You'll find what you want

at **MATTHEWS, STUBBLEFIELD & CO'S, Oran, Mo.**

BENTON BUILDING UP.

Everything Indicates That We Are to be The People.

Never were the prospects for Benton becoming a first-class town better than now. The fire of last Fall cleaned out the board shanties, and good, substantial buildings will be erected in their stead. Albert De Reigh has had the foundation laid for a neat two-story dwelling on the lot formerly owned by the Carroll heirs. Chas. F. Bonnefon has put in the foundation and has the material on the site to build a two-story dwelling on the lot just west of the jail. Treasurer Hissinger has received plans and specifications for a spacious two-story dwelling, and will commence building at once on the property recently purchased from Andrew Essner. Joe Campas has the foundation rock for a two-story brick saloon building, with hall overhead. Nick Schlosser will put up a brick house on his lot opposite the south-east corner of the square. A stock company is being organized to erect a three thousand dollar brick hotel, and last Saturday evening the A. O. U. W. voted to build a two-story brick building, 40 x 70 feet—the lower story to be used for business purposes and the second story as a hall for the Order and for public gatherings. All this indicates that our people are not losing much sleep over Morley's attempt to move the county seat.

—There may not be much change in the tariff bill but you can get quite a goodish bit of change out of every dollar that you spend at

"THE BEE."

—The Executive Committee of the Scott County Sunday School Association, composed of all the pastors in the county and the county and town officers are requested to meet in the Baptist church at Morley at 1 o'clock p. m., Mar. 31, 1894. Business of vast importance demands our attention. Please offer some sacrifice, rather than be absent, and if you can not attend please insist on some person who is entrusted to take your place. See to it that your township is represented. P. E. GENEWAY, Pres. WALTON McDONALD, Sec'y.

—Two choice mares for sale, will work well anywhere. Just the animals for family use. Cash or good notes. W. C. LAMBERT, Benton, Mo.

—No use waiting for legislation to cure beneficial ills, you have a remedy at your own door. This is how it works. If you want say shoes that will wear well, fit well and cost little, go to Tenkoff, at Commerce, and get the Tenant Stribbling make. There's relief to feet and purse. See?

—Hon. Marsh Arnold was in Benton Wednesday. He found his fences as good as new, and is taking a look at them in other counties.

—Get politics wait until you get your spring goods bought. The time to buy is when stocks are the freshest and fullest. Heisserer & Miller have now the finest stock ever seen in Benton, so buy soon and get first choice.

—The peach crop in this as in other localities will be a complete failure this season, the too genial weather of February having developed the buds too soon and a subsequent frost destroying them. Cherries are in bloom and promise an average crop. Wheat promises a very early harvest and is in splendid shape. Farmers are foreboded with their work, the fine weather having greatly favored tillage and sowing. We are ready for the April showers and have had a few of them in advance.

FROM BLODGETT.

The revival at the Baptist church is still in progress. Mr. and Mrs. Warburton are in advance of 90 per cent of the usual run of traveling Evangelists, the usual business of whom it is to take up collection to help them get to another town. The late rain storms have made against the success of the meeting but hope for better things in the near future.

C. L. Stubbs, head book-keeper for Marshall Bros., is making a trip to Fredericktown and St. Louis this week in search of health. He will probably be back here by the first of April.

Some three years ago a couple of boys here went out to fight a duel, taking seconds, etc. One was standing near an old well, nearly filled in, and the other by a large snag. The command rang out, "one—two—three—fire." The shot guns went off, all four barrels at once making a dense smoke, and which No. 1 drops into the well hole whirled. No. 2 slips behind the huge snag and the seconds, jumping forward say, "Gentlemen, the hour of two brave men is past; therefore, they have collected each other."

We are glad to note the mention of Judge Marshall's name for Representative. His record entitles him to a seat in the Assembly. If records have anything to do with it, and they must. No one has a better insight into the needs and requirements of this country than Jno. E. Marshall for he has lived his entire life right here. The county will do herself proud to elect a Scott County born, bred, and died-in-the-soil citizen to uphold her corn, wheat and watermelon interests at the State Capital. Clear the track!

The enchanting odor of powdered bones is wanted to the sensibilities of smell from all points of the compass at Blodgett owing to the influx of four or five car-loads of "Anchor Brand," "Gold Dust," "Complete," "High muck-a-muck," "Claw hammer," "Tack hammer" and "Fourth of July" fertilizers for watermelons of which a very large acreage will be planted this Spring, and thus Blodgett will retain her post at the head of the list as the biggest melon handling place on God's foot-stool.

A rather uneventful scrap took place here Monday over a watch. During the progress of the combat one of the parties lost some blood which he deposited on the porch of Marshall Bros' store.

J. E. Sherer is confined to his bed with an attack of hemorrhage.

Mr. Charles McCormick leaves today (Wednesday) for his home in Chicago. He is accompanied by his sister, Miss Belle, who goes on a month's visit to the cousin who was so instrumental in recruiting the long hair Charley to his parents. We wish her much pleasure on her trip and wish.

When the Ananias club met last week it was evident that some of the members had been reading the African war news in the daily papers, for when the club's order of business had got to "miscellaneous," a long, slim brother in the hind part of the hall got on his feet and asked leave to present a resolution relative to the war in the Congo Free State between the combined European forces and the Arabs. Leave was granted and he read the following:

"Resolved, That in this war the sympathies of this gang go out to the Arabs."

"You offer this very thing?" asked the M. W. L. as he gazed from the paper to the long, slim brother.

"Yes sir."

"You sympathize with the Arabs, I suppose?"

"Yes sir."

"Any particular reason?"

"Yes sir. A very good reason. The Arabs are seeking to abolish slavery in England, Belgium, etc."

There was a large, dense gob of silence for a full minute, when the M. W. L. said, "Bros. Schroeder, Dickerson and Myers will take this brother to the L. M. railroad track

below the Wheeler warehouse and carry him with one of the R. R. Co's 36 inch drain tile and paint him with iodine. If that don't cure him we will send him to the Keeley cure."

The long, slim brother acted like a man on whom a brick house had fallen, and after the carrying was over he explained that a tin-peddler had gotten up the resolution and promised him a new spittoon if he would present it. The meeting was then carefully adjourned. MERRILL.

FROM LENOX SCHOOLHOUSE.

Health in our neighborhood is improving—log-rolling with the men and carpet tacking with the ladies was the order of the day last week with our people. Crops look well, farmers are busy pushing their work, and as for a happy, contented community you would have to look a long time to find a better one than our people.

We never want to hear anyone accuse Jim Ranney of laziness in our presence, for we actually saw him with our own eyes, out in the new ground burning brush, and as for Dave Grojean, well, Dave is all right.

J. E. Marshall, or Judge John as we all call him, is sure clock full of business, for when it comes to a man having to play County Judge, look after a dry goods store, live stable, a large farm at home besides a dozen others—if that wouldn't give a man about all he could do, I don't know how he would get employment. And yet he keeps his irons from burning.

Charles McMullin and Syl Vaughn are just too busy to be turned aside for anything. They believe in striking while the iron is hot.

Judge Carroll still goes east when he leaves home. Speaking of the affairs of Scott County, if you want pure unadulterated facts about all kinds of matter pertaining to the County, I don't know of a better man to go to than Bill Carroll. You may fool him a little while but he is sure to catch on.

Our school is progressing nicely. The longer the school continues the more interested the pupils seem to be. The schools in adjoining districts having closed, pupils are coming in and filling our school up to its fullest capacity. One pupil from Morley district is in our school.

Services every Sunday at the M. E. church, Bro. Euro in charge, who by the way, we think one of the nicest little gentlemen we have had the pleasure of meeting in a long time. PINKARDS.

—You can find as good a pair of spectacles at the Benton Drug Store as in the city. All the lenses are perfect, all ages are fitted and all purses suited. A good line of gold mounted goods on hand.

—Mont. Wade started up a new distillery in Bollinger county and shut down the Oran still for the time being this week.

—Morley wants the county seat, and yet the people living on her borders can be seen trading with Heisserer & Miller, at Benton, every day in the week. Good goods and low prices tell every time.

—All wishing good pasture for colts, etc., should apply to W. C. Lambert, at Benton. Terms: \$1.25 per month.

—Anderson Bros., at Commerce, have just opened a largest stock of new Spring Goods, and are in the market to win. See them and save money.

—John Blumenberg and his wife, of near Commerce, both died of pneumonia last week.

—Since Tenkoff came back from the markets, his Dress Goods department has been the chief attraction in town. The latest styles are just lovely this Spring and to get a good choice you should be on hand early.

—Congressman Arnold and Albert DeReigh are in St. Louis attending the Democratic conference.

FROM ORAN.

Alex Wright was confined to his bed Monday.

The protracted meeting at the M. E. church closed Sunday night.

A. J. Smith and wife, Joe Smith, Misses Blanche Finley, Clara Maddox and Will Maddox joined the Baptist church since our last letter.

Thos. Hughes' new hotel will be opened to the public within the next month. This building adds greatly to the appearance of Oran.

Large crowds assemble to hear Rev. Reeves of Morley. He is having a good meeting at this writing.

Candidates are looming up in Oran.

Mrs. Rev. Reeves came up from Morley Monday to see her husband. Mr. Dirmberger has the frame work of a new building up on the Dierker lot.

Roadmaster Dall says that Oran can have a telegraph office on the same terms that Blodgett gets one. What is the matter with our citizens?

The best looking drug clerk in Scott County was waiting on customers at Judge Hale's drugstore Wednesday morning.

Henry Brider is again a citizen of Oran. His family could not stand the swamp.

A. J. Matthews, of Sikeston, was here Wednesday on business.

One August Bohardt betrayed the confidence of several of our citizens last week to the tune of about \$425. He will probably explain why he did so at our next term of circuit court.

Mrs. Logrand has opened up a millinery store since our last letter.

L. P. Howle (the unlucky) fell and burst his knee cap last week. Run- away teams, railroad disasters and such other trivial affairs are only pastime for him.

The protracted meetings have broken up the Literary society.

The People's Party organized at Cross Plains last Saturday night, and the coming Saturday will organize at Bowman's schoolhouse and also at Moore's schoolhouse—Tuesday at Brycen's schoolhouse.

It is rumored that the Republicans will unite with the People's Party in order to defeat the so-called court house ring at Benton. Democrats will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Mrs. Miller was defeated in her purchase of the Dennis property by a prospective law suit.

Mrs. S. G. Tetwiler, from Charleston visited the scribe's from this week.

Mrs. Tenkoff came up from Charleston Wednesday.

Several Morlevites attended the meeting at the Baptist church last Wednesday night.

Wm. Watson is up from Morley today.

The Catholics will have a big feast here next Sunday (Easter). Use.

Mrs. Chas. F. Bonnefon has been on the sick list this week.

—First-class baled Timothy Hay for sale. Apply to Mrs. SUSAN GAITHER, Commerce, Mo.

—In the field of available candidates for the Assessorship, W. C. Lambert's name is being mentioned.

OBITUARY.

Died, on Monday night, March 19, 1894, Josephine Diebold, aged 45 years, 4 months and 16 days.

Deceased was born in Scott County, Nov. 3, 1848 and had always resided in the vicinity of her birth. She belonged to one of the best known and most respected families in Scott County, and is sincerely mourned by a large number of relatives.

Miss Diebold was a woman of marked individuality and possessed talents which seldom fall to the share of her sex. She had, for instance, a positive genius for mechanics, and was a better carpenter than nine out of ten men who follow the trade. As a market gardener she had no equal in the county, and she had, by her individual exertions, made for herself a well appointed and pleasant home. Always affable and kind, the best of neighbors and entirely upright in her dealings, "Phemie" as we called her in Benton, will be sadly missed.

She was a devout daughter of the Roman Catholic church and was buried at the St. Lawrence cemetery, New Hamburg, Wednesday morning, the funeral being largely attended.

A CARD.

To the voters of Scott County:

GENTLEMEN—I present myself to you as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Scott county at the coming November election, subject to the decision of the party vote on August 21, next.

Acting on the solicitations of numerous warm friends, in whose experience and judgment I have every confidence, I have decided to step in the race, being further encouraged by the reflection that my practical familiarity and association with the office for some time past has probably rendered me to a considerable degree competent to perform the duties with a correctness and promptness that will be entirely satisfactory to those who may be compelled, at times, to rely upon the efficiency of the sheriff.

I should feel very grateful if a majority of the voters would view me in the same light and run me into the sheriff's stand just a "leech bit ahead." I am not very particular how far—just so I get there. Not only would I highly appreciate this action of the bona fide voters, but would feel equally grateful for the influence and good words and wishes of those who may not have the privilege of a vote.

Your most obedient servant,
E. A. JOHNSON.

—Gus Bohardt, of Blodgett, is in trouble again. He is in Benton jail, charged with raising a note from \$175 to 475 and disposing of the same to Matthews, Stubblefield & Co. of Oran. The securities on the note raised are Jas. Trimble, Silas W. White, A. W. Fizer, J. F. Ashley, Joe Kieffer, Mont. Stubblefield and E. F. Brycen. It is too bad that Gus has put himself behind the bars just as he had taken the field to clean out what he calls "the courthouse ring," but accidents are liable to befall even the most ardent "reformer."

—Parties in need of stock peas can secure them at the store of Anderson Bros., Commerce, the next few days at a favorable price, as they are in need of warehouse room.

—The shrewd old farmer said the way he made money was by close buying rather than selling dear. He bought his Farm Machinery, Hardware, Queensware, Furniture and Groceries from Ben Tenkoff, and his bank account is all right, thank you.

—You should have seen the crowd at Heisserer & Miller's last Saturday. Spring Goods were in demand and the new stock was equal to the occasion. The clerks had a tough time, but everybody was patient and pleased with the goods and prices.

—The foundation upon which a business can be successfully built is confidence. The reliable house of L. F. Klottermann, at Cape Girardeau, contributes its success to this fact.

—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Leedy and family visited friends in Commerce the early part of the week.

Resolutions of Respect.

Hall of Commerce Lodge No. 140 A. O. U. W.

WHEREAS, We are called upon to pay our last sad tribute of respect to the departure of another brother who has been called from this Lodge to that celestial Lodge above, where all will cease from labor. Therefore be it

Resolved, That it has pleased the Almighty God to remove from this earthly sphere our honored brother, J. R. Coffman. He was loved and honored by all and we will miss him in our earthly sanctuary, but the memory of our departed brother is ever cherished by us. His chair is vacant but the emblems which surround it is a reminder that we, too, must soon depart.

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family of our departed brother our heartfelt sympathy in their sad bereavement and commend them to the care of him who doeth all things well.

FRED A. HANSEN, Com.
G. G. MATTHEWS, Sec'y.

—Major W. W. Ward was in Benton Saturday.

—Dry Good, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Ladies' Dress Goods, Gent's Furnishings, and anything you want at

"THE BEE."

—President Vandiver, of the State Normal, reports a pleasant and prosperous session. The Spring term opens on April 10th. It will embrace the common school as well as the higher branches and during the first six weeks a course of lectures will be delivered by the heads of departments, which will be interesting and instructive to the pupils. An entertainment will be given by the Literary Societies on April 7th—the close of the present term—and will be followed by a social reunion. Prof. Vandiver will cheerfully supply any information regarding courses of study and boarding accommodations. Tuition is free.

—Mr. Pett was down from the Cape Monday. That mill, of course.

NOTICE.

The decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Wilson versus Beck with settles conclusively the title of the Wilson land. All persons are warned not to cut timber or remove any of the land, or to do any other act which will interfere with the title of the Wilson land. No. W. W. Ward will look after these vacant lands and will give any information desired.

John A. Att'y for Florence A. Wilson

DR. C. C. HARRIS,

MORLEY, MO.

Treatment of Diseases of Females, Venereal Diseases and Diseases of Kidneys, Bladder, Throat, etc.

Office Hours—9 a. m. to 12 m. 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Conrad Blatter dec'd were granted to the undersigned administratrix by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, March 9, 1894, by Judge in vacation.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the undersigned administratrix within one year from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years, they will be forever barred.

Mary Blatter, Admin.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that letters of Administration upon the estate of Wm. F. Miller dec'd were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, March 9, 1894, by Judge in vacation.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me, for allowance, within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims be not exhibited within two years, they will be forever barred.

JOSEPHINE MILLER, Admin.

TIME CARD OF

HOULE'S MISSOURI & ARKANSAS R. R.
GOING WEST.
Leave Commerce 10:30 a. m. Arrive Benton: 11:40 a. m. Arrive Morley: 11:50 a. m. Leave Commerce 2:30 p. m. Arrive Benton: 3:40 p. m. Arrive Morley: 3:50 p. m.

GOING EAST.
Leave Morley 12:15 p. m. Arrive Commerce: 12:30 p. m. Arrive Benton: 1:40 p. m. Leave Morley 4:30 p. m. Arrive Commerce: 5:40 p. m. Arrive Benton: 6:50 p. m.

J. H. CROWDER, Sec'y.